

Location

CEC located about 55 miles north-west of Des Moines, IA, in Springbrook State Park near Guthrie Center.



Because of modest cost and unique programming, the Springbrook CEC books quickly. Reservations are required!

Contact us at:
641-747-8383
to reserve your dates.

For additional information go to:
www.iowadnr.com

Our Mission

Promoting participation in the outdoors through education and involvement with the cooperation of individuals, schools, and organizations to improve the quality of life in Iowa and insure a legacy for future generations.



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Springbrook conservation education center

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The Springbrook Conservation Education Center (CEC) is bustling with Natural Resource education. The hands-on center, operated by the Iowa Department of Natural Resources (DNR), offers outdoor as well as indoor classrooms and support staff in a fascinating setting. With it's heated and air-conditioned facilities it is a popular year round destination for school groups, teachers, organizations, government agencies, youth groups and many others.

Why Springbrook?

"According to a national study, 100% of schools with environment-based learning had students with improved behavior, attendance, and attitudes relative to traditional schools"
-State Education and Environment Roundtable (SEER)

Springbrook CEC has over 40 activities which correlate to the National Science Education Standards and allow students to experience hands-on learning.



Aaron Herschberger
Carroll County Naturalist

"The experience the Springbrook Conservation Education Center provides cannot be had within the walls of a traditional school."



Larry Jablonski
Principal
Olmsted Elementary

"We have used the Springbrook Conservation Education Center facilities since 1973 for our annual outdoor educational overnight. The one thing that remains constant is the outstanding learning that takes place, which becomes the highlight of the school year."

The educational programs create a popular year round destination for school groups of all ages.



Meals

A selection of quality, affordable meals will be served during your stay.



Accommodations

Fully heated and air-conditioned dormitories (capacity 104), with handicap accessibility are available with linens and towels provided.

Meeting/Resources Rooms

Rooms to accommodate group sizes of up to 200 are available, and outdoor classrooms provide excellent versatility of meeting sites.



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